

United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

Case No.: 200806181

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I refer to your letter dated October 26, 2006 to the FBI, requesting the release of certain material under the Freedom of Information Act (Title 5 USC Section 552). Eight of the relevant documents retrieved in response to your request originated with the Department of State and were therefore referred to us for appropriate action.

We have determined that six documents may be released in full, and two must be withheld in full. All released material is enclosed. The material in the documents withheld in full is of such a nature that its release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, it is exempt from release under subsection (b)(6) of the Freedom of Information Act.

With respect to material withheld by the Department of State, you have the right to appeal our determination within 60 days. Appeals should be addressed to the Chairman, Appeals Review Panel, c/o Appeals Officer, A/ISS/IPS/PP/LC, SA-2, Room 8100, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100. The letter of appeal should refer to the case number shown above.

The enclosed material includes documents from which the FBI has deleted information under subsection f(b)(7)(C) of the Freedom of Information Act. That provision exempts from release records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes which, if released, could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. If you wish to appeal those particular deletions, please write within 60 days to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, United States Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050 and cite FBI Case No. 1064442-000.

Sincerely,

For Margaret P. Grafeld, Director Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

Subject: Rastafarians/Jamaica

Mr. Stimpson, Minister Councelor at the Jamaican Embassy (Tel: 387-1010), called again today to obtain a USG statement on the Rastafarians which he can use when he telephones Jack Anderson to complain about his article of Sunday, May 16. I reaffirmed to Mr. Stimpson my earlier statement to the effect that the Rastafarians certainly were not in my opinion a major international terrorist group and that I was surprised that Anderson had lumped them together with such active and well-known terrorist groups as the Japanese Red Army. I declined, however, to be quoted on this point and suggested that if he wished to discuss the matter any further he should talk directly with Mr. Fearey.

In an effort to get a better understanding of the Rastafarians, I asked Mr. Stimpson for his description of the group. He replied that they were a group of people who worship former Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie as a god. They are religiously inclined, he said, and are members of the Coptic church.

003 3 Mr. Stimpson explained that the REGStas" consider themselves to have been involuntarily transported from Africa to the Western hemisphere and they wish to return home. The only problem is that they lack the necessary funds!

Mr. Stimpson described the Rastas as a "peaceful" back-to-Africa movement; " he noted that they had engaged me in very little violent action in Jamaica. However, in 1959, they had been involved in an "isolated incident," which he described as an "uprising." He said that "others" had been involved in the revolt and the leaders were eventually caught and hanged.

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Mr. Stimpson described the members of the Rastas as being long-haired, often bearded, and "unkempt." They smoke marijuana as a part of their cult and do not normally engage in work activities; they prefer to engage in such crafts as pottery making, carving, etc.

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As for the size of the movement in the US, Mr. Stimpson said that estimates run as high as 9,000. He stressed "others" (presumably, West Indians and black Americans)had been attracted to the movement. He also noted that they had been involved in some minor violent. activities in New York City, but that such trouble generally involved only other blacks, not whites.

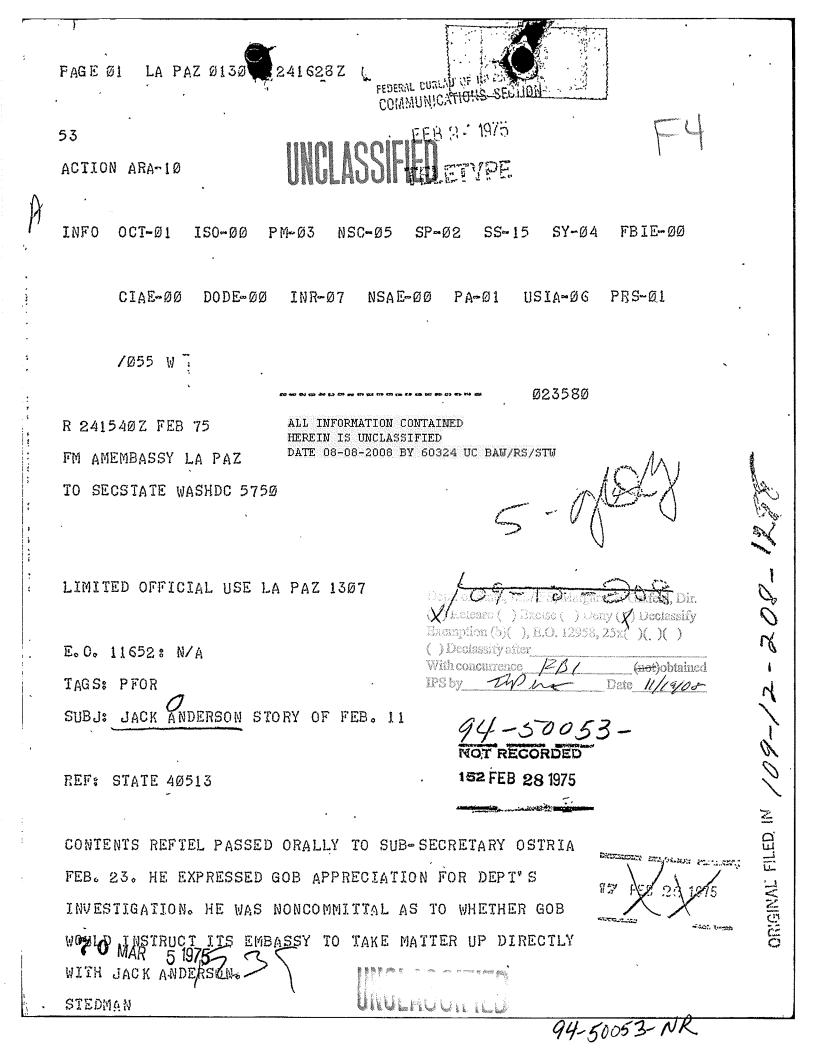
Mr. Stimpson stressed on several occasions that the group was essentially a peaceful one.

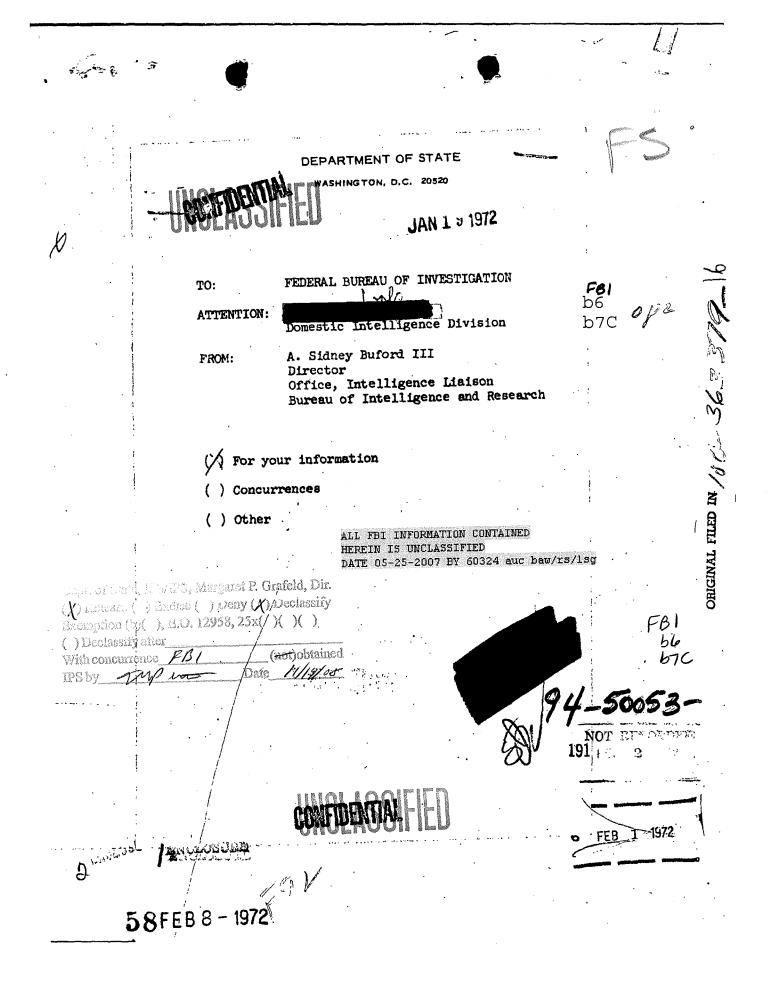
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At 5:35pm, Gevorkyan phoned me excitedly and asked for an immediate meeting, emphasizing the urgent nature of his business. I promised to be at the Corcoran in ten minutes, but he said he was calling from the Soviet Embassy so we agreed to meet at 6:00 pm at the Roger Smith bar.

Once seated and before we had ordered, he planged into his story -- in Armenian. "Dear Edward, "he began, "this free press of yours is too much for me. This afterneon, at about 4:30, I received a phone call from a man who identified himself as a Mr. Whitten working for Columnist: Jack Anderson. He asked me a number of questions: Who did I work for in Moscow? (The Novosti News Agency.) Had I "Iways worked at Novosti? (No. I was in New York at the Soviet UN Mission after the war.) Did I work as a newsman at the UN for some other agency? (I was at the UN from 1946-1951, when Novosti did not yet exist. Why was he asking me these questions? I was in the United States as Deputy Director of the Soviet Exhibit. Why did my past work interest him?)"

Then suddenly he asked me: Are you in the KGB7 I was stunned. I said, "You have no right to ask me such a provocative quastion. Besides, journalists don't interview other journalists. However, if you intend to pursue this line, I suggest you talk to me face to face. I will meet you tomorrow at the Corcoran anytime in the afternoon. Whitten said he would come over. It ended indefinitely. I don't know if he's going to write this up. For all I know, he taped the whole conversation. I'm very upset."

Revorkyan stared down at the table as I ordered. He continued: "I really believe in our cultural relations and don't want to see incidents such as this destroy the

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present favorable atmosphere. Furthered was so pleased by her reception here and the exhibit is such a success as far as we are concerned. With your President going to Moscow soon, isn't it in both our interest to avoid unpleasant incidents? You must do something about this. If you know Jack Anderson, you have to call him. He's a terrible man, first revealing White House meetings and now this. I can see why Kissinger would be upset with him. You must try everything."

I responded with the usual commonts on the independence of the American press, all of which he knew only too wolk. We then descussed the KGE. I said Bevorkyan should have no concern that we would be prejudiced by charges of secret police affiliations. "We assume all of you are KGE," I said. "You do, really?" Kevorkys: asked. "If you were in our shoun, wouldn't you also?" I asked. "I guess I would," he said, thoughtfully. "It deepn't make any difference to us," I continued, "as long as you do the spacific exhibit job you are designated for. You had not trouble getting a visa, did you ?" Gevorkyan agreed he did not, and became pensive. "You know," he said, "I will be with the exhibit for only its first half, until june. It would be very unpleasant if Anderson publicly accused me of KGD connections." I said there was little we could promise but that I would discuss the problem with my colleagues at USIA and the Department. Severkyan said he would phone me U Whitten questioned him further. Greverkynn also said that he had consulted with colleagues at the Soviet Embassy and when he had proposed talking it over with me, the Embassy had agreed soying, according to Geverkyan. "If there is any ways to kill the story. USIA will know how. "

We spent the rest of the 90 minute meeting discussing the medical and psychological problems of his family, of which Geverkyan underlably has his share.

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Y THE LEAST, BARRI IS EXTREMELY UPSET ABOUT THE WTINUIMG ALLEGATIONS OF HIS INVOLVEMENT IN AN ASSASSI-MATION PLOT. HE IS PARTICULARLY ANGRY OVER RENEWED FBI QUESTIONING OF HIS RELATIVES AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SHI'A COMMUNITY IN THE U.S. HE SAID HE HAD HOPED THE MATTER WAS FINISHED AFTER THE FIRST ANDERSON STORY, BUT TOLD US THAT ON DECEMBER 16 FBI AGENTS AGAIN INTERROGATED HIS DAUGHTER SALAM BARRI IN DETROIT. ACCORDING TO BARRI, THEY CHARGED THAT HE HAD WORKED OUT A DEAL WITH QADHAFI WHEREBY SHI'A SPIRITUAL LEADER MUSA SADR WOULD CONFIDENTIAL

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BE RETURNED IF BARRI ASSASSINATED THE PRESIDENT.

4. WE ARE JUST MANAGING TO AVOID A COMPLETE RUPTURE BETWEEN THE U.S. AND BARRI, WHO, WITH MUHAMMAD MAHDI SHAMS-AL-DIN, IS ONE OF LEBANON'S TOP SHI'A LEADERS. HOWEVER, OUR VERY STRAINED RELATIONSHIP IS NOT LIKELY JE ANOTHE, ROUND OF FBI VISITS TO BARRI'S MADE THAT BARRI IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN AN ASSASSINA-TION PLOT. `• •

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF JACK ANDERSON COLUMN WHICH APPEARED IN FEBRUARY 11 PRESS:

QUOTE: SOVPET U.N. ENVOY LINKED TO SPYING. BY JACK ANDERSON AND LES WHITTEN. QUOTE: THE IRASCIBLE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, YAKOV MALIK, IS ACTIVE BEHIND THE SCENES IN SOVIET ESPIONAGE.

QUOTE: U.S. INTELLIGENCE FILES TIE HIM TO THE SOVIET SPY NETWORK AT THE UNITED NATIONS. "THE ACTIVITIES OF BOTH "LEGALS' AND 'ILLEGALS' HAVE PASSED OVER HIS DESK," INTEL-LIGENCE SOURCES TELL US. "LEGALS" ARE SPIES WITH FORMAL DIPLOMATIC STATUS; "ILLEGALS" ARE CLANDESTINE OPERATIVES.

QUOTE: ONLY ONCE DURING HIS U.N. YEARS, THE FILES REVEAL, UNCLASSIFIED

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HAS MALIK SHOWN HIS HAND. THIS WAS AN IMPULSIVE, IMPRUDENT REACTION TO A 1971 NEW YORK TIMES STORY IDENTIFYING A POPULAR U.N. SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL, VLADIMIR PAVLICHENKO, AS A "VETERAN OFFICER" OF THE SOVIET SECRET POLICE (KGB).

QUOTE: PAVLICHENKO WAS NOT ONLY A VALUABLE SOVIET AGENT

BUT A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF MALIK. THE FILES CONTAIN DETAILED ACCOUNTS OF PAVLICHENKO'S KGB ACTIVITIES WHILE HE WAS AT THE UNITED NATIONS.

QUOTE: THE NEW YORK TIMES REVELATION CAUSED MALIK TO OVERREACT, RECALLED A SOURCE WITH DIRECT KNOWLEDGE OF THE CASE. ANGRILY, MALIK FIRED OFF TWO PROTESTS TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND ALSO GOT U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL U THANT TO COMPLAIN. NOT LONG AFTERWARD, PAVLICHENKO, HIS USEFUL-NESS IMPAIRED, WAS DISCREETLY CALLED HOME.

QUOTE: THE SOVIETS WERE FAR MORE SUCCESSFUL WITH A PROMIN-ENT BOLIVIAN ENVOY TO THE UNITED NATIONS, THE FILES SHOW. THE DIPLOMAT WAS RECRUITED BY THE KGB IN BOLIVIA, WANGLED AN ASSIGNMENT TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND THEN, AS A PAID KGB AGENT, HELPED TO ENLIST OTHER LATIN AMERICANS IN THE SOVIET SPY APPARATUS. QUOTE: ALL SOVIET CITIZENS WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY THE UNITED NATIONS ARE PREPARED FOR THE JOB AND REGULARLY DEBRIEFED BY THE KGB. SOME ARE MERELY INFORMANTS, BUT .OTHERS ARE ACTUAL KGB AGENTS AND "CO-OPTEES," THE INTEL-LIGENCE COMMUNITY'S TERM FOR CONTRACT SPIES.

QUOTE: THE SOVIET AGENTS AND INFORMANTS AT THE UNITED NATIONS ARE HANDLED ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS, WE ARE TOLD, BY THE TOP KGB OFFICIAL IN NEW YORK CITY WHO IS CALLED THE "RESIDENTURA." BUT MALIK HAS A FORMIDABLE, OVERALL ROLE.

QUOTE: THE WORLD'S MOST TANGLED ESPIONAGE WEB HAS THE KREMLIN AT ITS CENTER. THE SOVIET SPY SYSTEM IS, IN EFFECT, A DIZZY GEOMETRIC DESIGN OF SPY RINGS WITHIN SPY DZ JIC. THE EMPHASIS, OF COURSE, IS UPON DECEPTION. UNCLASSIFIED

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QUOTE: IT IS DIFFICULT, THEREFORE, TO TRACE MALIK'S SPY CAREER. THE INTELLIGENCE FILES SHOW HE BEGAN AS A STOOL PIGEON FOR THE SOVIET SECRET POLICE, THEN CALLED THE NKVD, IN THE MID-1930'S WHEN HE ATTENDED THE INSTITUTE OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR EMPLOYEES.

QUOTE: HE REPORTEDLY REMAINED AN ACTIVE AGENT OF SOVIET INTELLIGENCE AS HE MOVED UP IN 1937 TO BECOME THE DEPUTY FRESS CHIEF OF THE COMMISSARIAT FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS. TWO YEARS LATER, HE WAS DISPATCHED TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN JAPAN WITH THE DIPLOMATIC RANK OF COUNSELOR. BUT AMERICAN AGENTS QUICKLY SPOTTED HIM, ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCES, AS AN INTELLIGENCE SPECIALIST.

QUOTE: PROMOTED TO AMBASSADOR, HE REMAINED IN JAPAN DURING. WORLD WAR II AND IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE WAR. THEN HE WAS BROUGHT HOME TO MOSCOW WHERE IN 1947 HE BECAME AN OPERA-TIONAL ESPIONAGE OFFICIAL. THE FILES SHOW HE WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE KOMITET INFORMATSII, OR THE KI AS IT WAS CALLED, WHICH WAS THE PARENT HEAD OF BOTH THE SECRET POLICE AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE. QUOTE: MALIK GAVE UP HIS FORMAL KI POST IN 1951, THE FILES AFFIRM, WHICH PLACES HIM IN THE CENTER OF THE SECRET FOLICE TERROR DURING SOME OF THE BLOODIEST YEARS OF THE LATE DICTATOR, JOSEPH STALIN.

QUOTE: WHILE MALIK WAS STILL A TOP MAN IN THE KI, HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE UNITED NATIONS AS THE SOVIET DELEGATE IN 1948 AND REMAINED UNTIL STALIN'S DEATH IN 1953. HE SERVED THEREAFTER AS AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN AND THEN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER IN MOSCOW, ALTHOUGH THE FILES INDICATE HE ACTIVELY KEPT UP HIS INTELLIGENCE ASSOCIATIONS.

QUOTE: IN 1958, HE WAS NAMED PERMANENT U.N. ENVOY, WHICH PROVIDES SHEEP'S CLOTHES FOR ONE OF RUSSIA'S MOST SHARP-TOOTHED WOLVES. HE IS FOND, THIS GRADUATE OF STALIN'S SECRET POLICE APPARATUS, OF TAKING THE U.N. PODIUM AND BRANDING HIS INTERNATIONAL ADVERSARIES AS "MURDERERS AND GANGSTERS,"

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QUOTE: THE FILES LIST MALIK'S CLOSEST ASSOCIATES IN THE INTELLIGENCE WORLD. AMONG THEM ARE THE TOP WOMAN OPERATIVE, Y. D. MODRZHINSKAYA, ONCE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF RUSSIA'S OVERSEAS INTELLIGENCE-GATHERING DIRECTORATE, AND HER HUSBAND, WHO WAS A LIEUTENANT COLONEL IN THE ASSASSI-NATION DEPARTMENT, VARIOUSLY CALLED "SPECIAL BUREAU NUMBER ONE," "DEPARTMENT 13" AND "WET AFFAIRS."

QUOTE: ALSO CLOSE TO MALIK HAVE BEEN THE KIGJS "JAMES BOND" EQUIPMENT SPECIALIST A. TISHKOV; KI BIGWIGS P. V. FEDOTOV, S. L. TIHKVINSKI AND S. K. SAVCHENKO; AND FORMER SPIES IN THE UNITED STATES WHO BECAME XI OFFICIALS, A. I. RAINA, A. V. GORSKY AND V. ZARUBIN.

QUOTE: ANOTHER MALIK ASSOCIATE, ACCORDING TO THE FILES, WAS THE FAMED I. I. AGAYANTS, WHO WAS ONCE IN CHARGE OF SPREADING FALSE STRATEGIC INFORMATION TO CONFUSE U.S. INTELLIGENCE AND WHO IS CREDITED IN MOSCOW WITH HELPING TO PRY FRANCE LOOSE FROM NATO. QUOTE:: AT SOVIET U.N. HEADQUARTERS, WE WERE UNABLE TO REACH MALIK, BUT HIS PRESS SPOKESMAN, LEONID ROMONOV, TOLD US: "IT WOULD BE UNDOUBTEDLY BETTER AND MORE USEFUL IF SUCH AN EXPERIENCED COLUMNIST AS MR. ANDERSON DID NOT ADDRESS HIMSELF TO INSIGNIFICANT AND UNFOUNDED TOPICS BUT DIRECTED HIS TALENTS TO COVER THE PROBLEMS OF LESSENING INTERNATIONAL TENSION AND DEVELOPMENTS OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES." UNQUOTE.

2. DEPARTMENT HAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON IDENTITY OF INDIVIDUALS NAMED NOR ON SOURCES OF THE ANDERSON ARTICLE. INGERSOLL

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